

Public Notice - Environmental Permit
Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)

Purpose of notice: To seek public comment on an Emergency Permit issued from the DEQ to the Virginia Department of Forensic Science facility to manage hazardous waste in Richmond, VA.

Public comment period: December 2, 2011, to January 3, 2012.

Permit Name and Number: Hazardous Waste Emergency Treatment Permit; VAP000016376.

Permit Applicant: Virginia Department of Forensic Science (DFS), Central Laboratory

Facility Name and Location: DFS, Central Laboratory, 700 North Fifth St., Richmond, VA 23219-1416.

Project description: DFS initially applied for an Emergency Permit on November 28, 2011, to treat hazardous waste at the DFS, Central Laboratory, within the Arson Laboratory, which is located at 700 North Fifth St., Richmond, VA, 23219. The waste consisted of Diethyl ether in 3 glass and/or metal containers between 500 ml and 1 liter each. (The applicable hazardous waste numbers/codes are D001, Ignitability, and Suspect D003, Reactivity.) The waste is to be treated by chemical neutralization. The waste will be treated by qualified personnel in the Arson Laboratory of the DFS Facility. The DEQ issues the Emergency Permit to allow a facility to manage hazardous waste as a result of an emergency situation and/or to be protective of human health and the environment.

How to comment: The DEQ accepts written comments by e-mail, fax, or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by the DEQ within the comment period. The public may also write to the contact person at the address below. The public may view the Permit at the DEQ's Piedmont Regional Office at 4949-A Cox Road, Glen Allen, Virginia, 23060. Copies of the Permit are also available at the DEQ, Hazardous Waste Program, Office of Waste Permitting and Compliance (OWPC), 629 East Main Street, Richmond, VA 23219.

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